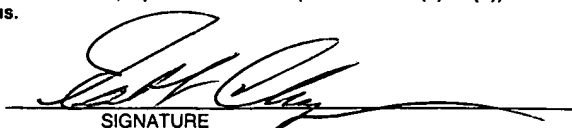


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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | CUSTOMER NO. 22,852 ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER: 04676.0229 U.S. APPLICATION NO. If known, See 37 CFR 1.5 Not Yet Assigned |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/015298 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE October 8, 2004 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED October 8, 2003 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION: COMPOSITION FOR PROMOTING COLLAGEN PRODUCTION | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: 1) Shigeo SHINOHARA and 2) Mitsuaki KAWAMURA | | |
| Applicant(s) herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). | | |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A Substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy of cover page of International Publication No. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Request for Substitute of Replacement Sheets. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Japanese International Search Report. e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Verification of Translation. f. <input type="checkbox"/> g. <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

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| The following fees have been submitted: | | | | CALCULATIONS | PTO Use Only |
| 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)):\$300.00 | | | | \$300.00 | |
| 22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37CFR 1.492(c)) | | | | | |
| If the Written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0 | | | | \$200.00 | |
| All other situations.....\$200 | | | | | |
| 23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) | | | | | |
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| Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....\$100 | | | | | |
| International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB.....\$400 | | | | | |
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| Independent Claims | 6 -3 = | 3 | x \$200.00 | \$600.00 | |
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**TRANSLATION OF THE ANNEXES TO THE
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT
(ARTICLE 34 AMENDMENTS)**

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR SUBSTITUTION OF REPLACEMENT SHEETS

Please substitute the attached replacement sheets 20-22A of the claims containing the translation of the Article 34 Amendments for sheets 20-22 of the claims in the enclosed translation of the as-filed PCT application. It is respectfully requested that the claims in the replacement sheets be examined during examination of the patent application. Claims 1, 3-16, 18 and 20-24 are currently pending.

Respectfully submitted,

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